

# Superior Court Judge

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## Daniel Schally, First Judicial District



**STATEMENT:**

The judicial positions I have held for the last almost eighteen years have privileged me to work for and with Alaskans all over our great state, including in Juneau/ Douglas, Haines, Skagway, Sitka, Prince of Wales Island, Ketchikan, Valdez, Glennallen, Cordova, Sand Point, Dillingham, Nome, and Utqiagvik. While working as a judge is not an easy job, it is rarely dull. I enjoy working on intricate legal and factual issues while keeping in mind the purpose of our courts: to resolve issues brought to us by people from all walks of life. I strive to not only get things right but to do justice in a fair and timely manner. I also bear in mind that our courts are but one of our three branches of government, and I endeavor to always respect the authority of our sister branches. It is a great honor to serve as a judge in Alaska. If the citizens of the 1st Judicial District retain me in office I will continue to work hard on their behalf.

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**AGE:** 54

**PLACE OF BIRTH:** Minnesota

**LENGTH OF RESIDENCY IN ALASKA:** 25 years

**ALASKAN COMMUNITIES LIVED IN:**  
Kodiak (1997-98); Ketchikan (1998-2005); Valdez (2005-2018); Juneau/Douglas (2018- present)

**POLITICAL AND GOVERNMENT POSITIONS:**  
District Court Judge & Superior Court Judge pro tempore,  
2005 - 18  
Assistant District Attorney (Ketchikan Office),  
1998 – 2005

**SPECIAL INTERESTS:**  
Hiking, travel, diving, genealogical research, and reading

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# Alaska Judicial Council Evaluation

## *Judge Daniel Schally, Juneau Superior Court*

The Alaska Judicial Council finds Judge Schally met or exceeded performance standards, and recommends a **“YES”** vote for another term in office

Judge Schally was appointed to the Juneau Superior Court in November of 2018. Judge Schally handles civil and criminal cases. This is his first retention evaluation as a superior court judge.

**Summary:** After conducting its performance review, the Judicial Council determined that Judge Schally met or exceeded performance standards on all criteria, including legal ability, integrity, impartiality/fairness, temperament, diligence, and administrative skills. The Council further concluded that Judge Schally complied with judicial ethics standards.

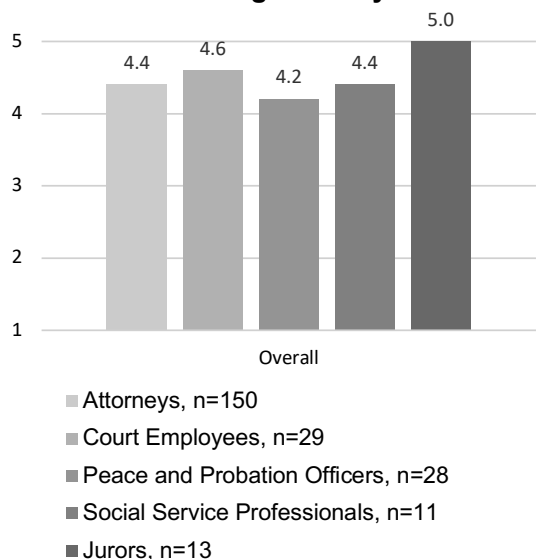
The Alaska Judicial Council therefore **recommends a “yes” vote** to retain Judge Schally in office.

**Survey ratings:** Attorneys, peace and probation officers, and social services professionals who appeared before Judge Schally gave him excellent reviews, as did court employees and jurors. One juror commented, “Judge Schally did an outstanding job presiding over this trial. His professionalism and patience was remarkable.” The chart shows some of the survey ratings received by Judge Schally. Complete survey ratings are available at [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us).

**Professional activities:** The Council’s review of Judge Schally’s professional activities showed positive contributions to the administration of justice and his community. Judge Schally made contributions in the areas of committee service, teaching, and youth activities. A detailed list of Judge Schally’s professional and community activities is posted at [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us).

**Other performance indicators:** The Council reviewed other performance indicators for Judge Schally, including financial and conflict of interest statements, whether pay was withheld for an untimely decision, how often parties disqualified him from cases, and appellate reversal rates. Judge Schally performed well in these areas.

### Justice System Professionals' Survey Ratings for "Overall" Job Performance for Judge Schally



Rated on a scale from 5 (excellent) to 1 (poor)

\*Judges are rated by different groups depending on caseloads.

Find this judge’s full performance evaluation at [www.ajc.state.ak.us](http://www.ajc.state.ak.us)